Gabriel A. Vecchi

Research Interests

Tropical air/sea interaction.

Ocean/atmosphere dynamics and coupling.

Sub-seasonal ocean/atmosphere variability in the tropics, and its role in seasonal and interannual variability.

Education

Ph.D. Physical Oceanography

Apr., 2000 University of Washington Seattle, WA

Thesis title: "Sub-seasonal wind variability and El Niño"

M.S. Applied Mathematics

Feb. 1999 University of Washington Seattle, WA

M.S. Physical Oceanography

Dec. 1996 University of Washington Seattle, WA

B.A. Mathematics

May 1994 Rutgers University New Brunswick, NJ

Nov 2003 – Present UCAR Visiting Scientist Princeton, NJ

University of Washington, Joint Institute for the Study of the Atmosphere and Oceans

Professional experience

Sep 2004 – Jan 2005 Lecturer New Brunswick, NJ

Rutgers University, Atmospheric Thermodynamics.

May 2001 – Nov 2003 Research Scientist Seattle, WA
University of Washington, Joint Institute for the Study of the Atmosphere and Oceans

May 2000 - April 2001 Postdoctoral Research Associate Seattle, WA

University of Washington, Department of Atmospheric Sciences / Joint Institute for the Study of the Atmosphere and Oceans

Sep. 1994 – April 2000 Research Assistant Seattle, WA

University of Washington, School of Oceanography / Joint Institute for the Study of the Atmosphere and Oceans

Sep. 1995 – Dec. 1995 Teaching Assistant Seattle, WA

University of Washington. Oceanography 504 – Fluid Dynamics.

Oct. 1993 – Sept 1994 Research Assistant New Brunswick, NJ

Institute for Marine and Coastal Sciences, Rutgers University

Summer 1993 Summer Research Fellow New Brunswick, NJ

Institute for Marine and Coastal Sciences, Rutgers University

Awards received

Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers (PECASE) 2004-

2009.

NASA Space Grant Scholarship, 1994-1996.

Cook College, Rutgers University Marine Sciences Student of the Year, 1994.

New Jersey Department of Education Garden State Scholar Scholarship, 1990-1994.

Professional Organizations

American Geophysical Union.

American Meteorological Society.

Computer Experience

UNIX, Windows and Macintosh operating systems.

Extensive programming experience with Fortran. Experience with C, C++, HTML and

Perl Script. Experience with UNIX scripting utilities: sed, awk.

Experience with Matlab, Ferret, Microsoft Office, Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator and

Pagemaker, and Corel Freehand.

Languages

Fluent in Spanish (lived in Venezuela from age 1 to 14) and Italian. Working

knowledge of French.

Interests and activities

Ultimate frisbee, soccer, snowboarding, mountain biking, SCUBA.

Publications

- Vecchi, G.A., A.T. Wittenberg and A. Rosati (2005). Reasessing the role of stochastic forcing in El Niño. *Geophys. Res. Lett. (in prep.)*
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- Harrsion, D.E. and G.A. Vecchi (2001). El Niño and La Niña: Equatorial Pacific surface temperature and thermocline variability, 1986-98. *Geophys. Res. Lett.*, **28**, 1051-1054.

- Harrison, D.E., G.A. Vecchi and R.H. Weisberg (2000). Eastward surface jets in the central equatorial Pacific. November 1991-March 1992. *J. Marine Res.*. **58**, 735-754.
- Vecchi, G.A. (2000). Tropical Pacific sub-seasonal wind variability and El Niño. Ph.D. Dissertation, University of Washington.
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